ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE OFFICERS OF
NORTH EASTON
VILLAGE DISTRICT

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OFFICERS

For the Year ending April 3, 1944

Water Commissioners

WILLIAM A. FENWICK	Term expires 1944
CLYDE A. CRAIG	Term expires 1945
THOMAS A. O'CONNOR	Term expires 1946

Moderator

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN

Prudential Committee

WALFRID J. G. BROMAN
HARRY J. D. SUNDELL
FRANCIS J. REARDON

Clerk and Treasurer

RALPH W. CRAIG

Auditors

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON
JOSEPH CONNOLLY

REPORT OF CLERK

North Easton Village District Annual Meeting, held on Monday, April 5, 1943. Meeting called to order at four o'clock P. M. by Moderator Joseph W. Linehan. Polls opened at 4:10 P. M. Closed at 8:00 P. M.

Total vote cast—60.

Results of Ballot

Moderator	
Joseph W. Linehan	57 votes
Clerk	
Ralph W. Craig	54 votes
Treasurer	
Ralph W. Craig	55 votes
Prudential Committee	
Walfrid J. G. Broman	51 votes
Francis J. Reardon	48 votes
Harry J. D. Sundell	48 votes
Water Commissioner, for three years	
Thomas A. O'Connor	51 votes
Auditors	
Arthur F. Anderson	48 votes
Joseph Connolly	52 votes

Voted: To accept Reports of District Officers.

Voted: To raise and appropriate:

1. Three thousand six hundred and six ($3,606.00) dollars for building and repairing sidewalks.

Eight hundred fifty-six ($856.00 dollars of this money to rebuild the sidewak on easterly side of Main street between Oliver and Elm streets, a distance of 550 ft. Two hundred fifty ($250.00) dollars to build a sidewalk in front of the property of Harland Almquist on Seaver street, running south approximately 170 feet.

2. Three thousand eight hundred seventy-seven ($3,877.00) dollars for street lighting.

3. Six hundred ($600.00) dollars for miscellaneous expenses.

Voted: To authorize the District Treasurer with the approval of Prudential Committee to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the ensuing year, and issue notes of the district therefor.

Voted: That the District, accept the sum of forty-eight hundred ($4,800.00) dollars from the Town of Easton, being the balance due from the Town of Easton, for the purchase by the Town of the Fire Holdings from the District including the land and buildings known as the "Fire Station Property" on the easterly side of Sullivan avenue, including all fire department equipment that was leased to the Town of Easton by the District under a vote of the District at a special meeting of said District duly called and held May 7, 1936 in pursuance of Chapter 322 of Acts of 1936: and Prudential Committee of said North Easton Village District are hereby authorized to execute and deliver a good and sufficient deed of all the right, title and interest of the District to Fire Station Property, to the Town of Easton, and the Prudential Commit tee are hereby further authorized to sell and convey all the right, title and interest the District has to all other Fire Department Holdings and Equipment to the Town of Easton.

Voted: Sentiment of this meeting be:—To have the Prudential Committee repair existing defects in sidewalk on Main street, between Seaver street and District line.

Voted: To adjourn.

Raised and Appropriated:

Sidewalks	$3,606.00	
Street Lighting	3,877.00	
Miscellaneous	600.00	
		$8,083.00

Appropriated

To reduce tax levy	$6,800.00

RALPH W. CRAIG,
District Treasurer

NOTICE

Annual Meeting of North Easton Village District

The legal voters of the North Easton Village District are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of said District will be held in Ames Memorial Hall on

MONDAY, APRIL 5, 1943, at 4 o'clock P. M.

The meeting will be called to order in the LOWER HALL, then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I. To elect by official ballot a Moderator, a District Clerk, a District Treasurer, a Prudential Committee consisting of three members, two Auditors, all for the term of one year, and a Water Commissioner for the term of three years. The polls will be open at four o'clock P. M., in the Lower Hall, and may be closed at eight o'clock P. M. Upon the closing of the polls, said meeting will forthwith adjourn to the Upper Hall, then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE II. To see if the District will accept the reports of the Prudential Committee, Clerk, Treasurer, Water Commissioners, and Auditors.

ARTICLE III. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the District charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE IV. To see if the District will vote to authorize the District Treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to borrow money in anticpation of the revenue of the ensuing year, and issue notes of the District therefor.

ARTICLE V. To see what action the district will take in regard to accepting the sum of—Four thousand eight hundred dollars—$4,800.00 in full payment for the North Easton Fire Station and Equipment known as the Easton Fire Holding.

ARTICLE VI. To see what action the district will take in regard to rebuilding the sidewalk on the easterly of Main st., between Oliver and Elm sts., a distance of approximately 450 feet and raise and appropriate money for the same. By petition

ARTICLE VII. To see what action the district will take in regard to building a sidewalk in front of the property of Harland Almquist on Seaver st., running south approximately 170 feet and raise and appropriate money for the same. By petition.

ARTICLE VIII. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Prudential Committee
FRANCIS J. REARDON
WALFRID J. G. BROMAN
HARRY J. D. SUNDELL

RALPH W. CRAIG, Clerk

REPORT OF PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the North Easton Village District:

We hereby submit the following report for the year ending February 29, 1944.

At the Annual District Meeting which was held on April 5, 1943, the sum of $3,600.00 was raised and appropriated for the rebuilding and repair of sidewalks..

Thirteen hundred and thirty-nine feet of walks were rebuilt at a cost of $1,749.52. For repairs we spent $749.31.

Walks were rebuilt on Lincoln, Main, Pond, and Seaver streets.

Repairs were made on Seaver, Linden, No. Main, Holmes, Lincoln, Day, Seaver, Jenny Lind, Reynolds, Pond, Elm, Oliver, and Main streets.

Reconstruction was carried out on sidewalks which were in the worst condition.

A petition was voted on for rebuilding the sidewalk on the easterly side of Main street between Oliver and Elm streets. This sidewalk was not finished because on the corner of Main and Oliver streets the boundary of the owners property was in the middle of the sidewalk and three trees could not be removed and on the corner of Main and Elm streets the corner is to be widened by the town and the owner of the property owns 15 inches into the present sidewalk.

A letter was sent to the Brockton Edison Company in regards to the dimout shades and what could be done in regards to removing same. The reply was as follows:

BROCKTON EDISON COMPANY

Brockton, Massachusetts

March 7, 1944

North Easton Village District
Prudential Committee
c/o Mr. Walfrid J. G. Broman
Linden Street
North Easton, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

We acknowledge receipt of your recent letter seeking information relative to the possible removal of dimout shielding of street lights in the North Easton Village District. We are pleased to give you present information which we have for your guidance in determining what action, if any, you may wish to take.

There is now no Army regulation, or Executive Order, requiring that shielding be retained. The dimout was suspended by Executive Order No. 63 and, while not embodied in the order itself, communities were cautioned that a resumption of the dimout might be ordered at any time and permanent installations, such as the shields placed on outdoor lighting, 'should not be altered so as to prevent a prompt return to present dimout requirements'. A 'prompt return' was interpreted by the Army to mean twenty-four hours. This interpretation was made last November, soon after the suspension became effective.

Recently, several communities within the dimout area in Massachusetts have weighed the situation and have ordered the shields removed. We have now received such orders from two municipalities in the territory which we serve. The final decision in regard to unshielding street lights rests with the municipality, according to a communication sent out by the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety under the date of December 23, 1943. We will take such action as you may direct upon receipt of your written order.

We appreciate the importance of a return to unrestricted lighting at the earliest possible moment in order that the former measure of safety and convenience in the streets at night may again be realized. It is important, however, that we frankly state what the situation would be in the event that the Army should order a resumption of the dimout program. Obviously, it would be physically impossible for us to again install the shields on short notice should the Army decide this to be necessary. Having in mind the delays previously encountered in securing the materials and the work entailed in attaching the shields and applying the paint, a period of several weeks would doubtless elapse before we could comply. Even assuming that we are able to salvage and store most of the present shields, a portion will be damaged in the removal and, under present circumstances, cannot be replaced because such equipment is not now being manufactured. Our entire territory would probably be involved at the same time and we would encounter an impossible task if the emergency were acute. The alternative, then, might be a blackout of street lighting until all restrictions placed by Army order could be satisfactorily met. We know you appreciate that we could not agree to overcome such difficulties in a short space of time but would cooperate to the best of our ability, as we did when the dimout was originally invoked.

We hope and trust that a return to the dimout need not be faced and wish simply to recognize it as a possibility.

Yours very truly,

FRED S. MASON
Commercial Sales Manager

We recommended a sum of $2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for repairing and rebuilding sidewalks to carry out this year's schedule which includes Elm, Main, Baldwin, Lincoln, and Center streets.

In years past we have received several bids for sidewalks, however only one bid was received this year.

SIDEWALKS

Raised and Appropriated	$3,600.00
Expended	3,160.98
Unexpended	$ 439.02

The following bid was received on Main street between Oliver and Elm streets for cement walk and curbing:

Carl S. Johnson—$1.65 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—

223 running feet as per contract at $1.65 $367.95

Extra work removing stonewall, digging out boulders and filling inside of walk. $ 34.50

The following bid was received on Seaver street for cement walk and curbing.

Carl S. Johnson—$1.60 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—

154½ running feet as per contract at 1.60 $247.20

The following bid was received on Pond street No. 1 for cement walk and curbing.

Carl S. Johnson—$2.00 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—

318½ running feet as per contract at $2.00 $637.00

The following bid was received on Pond street No. 2 for cement walk and curbing.

Carl S. Johnson—$1.62 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—

241 running feet as per contract at $1.62 $390.42

Extra work of the above items:

Cutting roots filling in driveway and sides of walk also boxes for telephone posts $23.50

The following bid was received on Main street in front of Randall estate for cement walk and curbing.

Carl S. Johnson—$1.68 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—

310 running feet as per contract at $1.68 $520.80

Extra work of the above item:

Building 20 feet of driveway, taking out boulders and changing grade on curbing $59.00

The following bid was received on Lincoln street for cement walk and curbing.

Carl S. Johnson—$1.65 per running foot.

Paid Carl S. Johnson—
72 running feet as per contract at $1.65 $118.80

Paid Carl S. Johnson—
Repair work on sidewalks, cutting roots, digging out for foundation on street as follows.

Replaced 10 squares of walk on Linden street at $3.10 per square	$31.00
Replaced 30 squares of walk on No. Main street at $3.15 per square	$94.50
Replaced 4 squares of walk on Holmes street at $3.25 per square	$13.00
Replaced 12 squares of walk on Lincoln street at $3.30 per square	$39.60
Replaced 14 squares of walk on Day street at $3.25 per square	45.50
Replaced 67 squares of walk on Seaver street at $3.50 per square	$234.50
Replaced 6 squares of walk on Jenny Lind street at $3.25 per square	$19.50
Replaced 33 squares of walk on Reynold street at $3.65 per square	$120.45
Replaced 11 squares of walk on Pond street at $3.25 per square	$35.75
Replaced 6 Squares of walk on Elm street at $3.25 per square	$19.50
Replaced 4 squares of walk on Oliver street at $3.50 per square	$14.00
Replaced 6 squares of walk on Main street at $3.37½ per square	$20.25
Repair work on Pond street filling in cement where trees were taken out	$22.51
Patching Tar walks on five different streets	$39.25
Paid Hayward & Hayward Survey, Main street to get Street Lines	$12.50
Expended	$3,160.98

STREET LIGHTING

Raised and appropriated	$3,877.00
Expended	3,876.72
Unexpended	.28

Paid Brockton Edison Company $3,876.72

We have 197-100—candle power lamps at $17.004 a year, and 17-250—candle power lamps at $30.996 a year.

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Raised and appropriated	$600.00
Expended	$515.18
Unexpended	$ 84.82

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMIZED

District Officers Salaries:		
Ralph W. Craig, Clerk	$20.00	
Ralph W. Craig, Treasurer	50.00	
Francis J. Reardon, Prudential Com.	50.00	
Walfrid J. G. Bowman, Prudential Com.	50.00	
Harry J. D. Sundell, Prudential Com.	50.00	
Joseph W. Linehan, Moderator	25.00	
Arthur F. Anderson, Auditor	10.00	
Joseph Connolly, Auditor	10.00	
		$265.00
Election Officers:		
Edwin Haglund	4.00	
Charles E. Johnson	4.00	
Nellie Spillane	4.00	
Helen Benson	4.00	
Michael W. Murphy	4.00	
Carl A. Benson	4.00	
Cornelius J. Harvey	4.00	
Manuel Freitas	4.00	
Lawrence Gurney	4.00	
		$36.00
Paid Sigfrid V. Ledin		
Typing Sidewalk Specifications		$2.00
Paid Gardner Job Print		
875 Annual Reports	$109.50	
400 Ballots	15.00	
15 Specimen Ballots	4.25	
12 Meeting Notices	8.95	
Distributing Annual Reports	$10.00	
Paid William N. Howard & Son		
Treasurer's Bond	$25.00	
Paid Town of Easton—Collecting Taxes	$17.73	
Paid Ralph W. Craig—Posting Notices	$2.00	
Treasurer and Clerk—Expenses	$ 3.25	

Paid First National Bank of Easton— Check book	$ 1.50	
Paid Joseph W. Linehan Services—Conveyance of the North Easton Fire Station land and building and all fire equipment of said District to the Town of Easton	$15.00	
	Expended	$515.18

APPROPRIATIONS

Sidewalks	$2,500.00
Main street sidewalks	850.00
Seaver street sidewalks	250.00
Street Lighting	3,877.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	600.00
	$8,077.00

EXPENDITURES

Sidewalks	$2,498.83
Main Street Sidewalk	414.95
Seaver Street Sidewalk	247.20
Street Lighting	3,876.72
Miscellaneous Expenses	515.18
	$7,552.88

UNEXPENDED

Sidewalk	$ 1.17
Main Street Sidewalk	435.05
Seaver Street Sidewalk	2.80
Street Lighting	.28
Miscellaneous Expenses	84.82
	$ 524.12

Received from Town of Easton for Easton Fire Holding $4,800.00

This is the final payment for the North Easton Village Fire Station land and building and all fire equipment of said District.

Respectfully submitted,

WALFRID J. G. BROMAN,
HARRY J. D. SUNDELL,
FRANCIS J. REARDON
Prudential Committee

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of North Easton Village District:

We submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1944.

STATEMENT

Cash on Hand, March 1, 1943	$ 8,835.53
Bills Payable—1943	150.00
	$8,685.33

RECEIPTS

Received from Meter Service	14,351.41	
Rental of Meters	502.25	
Received from Sale of Merchandise	382.04	
Received from Repairs	34.86	
Received from Interest on Deposits	69.88	
		$15,340.44
		$24,025.77

PAYMENTS

Operating Expense	$3,980.01	
Paid for Repairs	1,038.13	
Paid Bonds	2,000.00	
Paid Interest on Bonds	405.00	
Paid for Meters and Merchandise	792.12	
		$ 8,215.26
Cash on Hand, March 1, 1944		$15,810.51
		$24,025.77

OPERATING EXPENSE

Paid Engineer	$1,881.08
Paid Clerk	625.00
Paid Water Commissioners	150.00
Paid McCarthy Coal Co.	288.16
Paid J. J. Reardon	144.00
Paid William T. Knapp & Sons	302.19

Paid No. Easton Service Station		35.47
Paid N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.		67.98
Paid E. E. I. Co., of Brockton		28.07
Paid Isabella M. Harlow		91.17
Paid Standard Oil Company		70.57
Paid Wm. N. Howard & Son		41.50
Paid Railway Express Agency		.75
Paid Frank Gardner—Water Bills		39.50
Paid O'Connor's News Store		.80
Paid Nemasket Transportation Co.		.43
Paid Anderson's Express		3.18
Paid Frank Blake		17.97
Paid H. L. Stoddard & Son		.20
Paid C. Merton Tower—Operating Expense		70.00
Paid R. G. Watt		1.65
Paid Easton Motor Sales		2.00
Paid N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.		5.88
Paid I. Leon French		3.25
Paid National Meter Co.		15.60
Paid First National Bank of Easton		1.50
Paid Savings Bank-Refund		2.75
Paid Mitrano's Garage		2.30
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue		87.06
		$3,980.01

INTEREST

Paid Interest on Bonds		405.00
Less Rec'd from Interest on Deposits		69.88
		$335.12

REPAIRS

Paid John F. Carlson		$ 8.00
Paid John Lewis		28.36
Paid Edward Sandgren		28.36
Paid Raphael Langley		5.00
Paid William Harkins		116.00
Paid Sven Johnson		40.95
Paid Daniel Welch		17.55
Paid Wallace S. Gilmore		12.00
Paid Town of Easton Highway Dept.		3.67
Paid E. E. Kelley's Store		79.28
Paid Mitrano's Garage		13.35
Paid A. H. Peck		41.20
Paid Braman, Dow & Co.		644.41
Labor, 139 hours	$313.39	
Compensation Insurance	15.67	
Boring Bar, 4 hours at $1.20	4.80	
Rings, 36	9.02	
Repaired one fuel pump and six nozzles	145.52	

Bearings, 13	51.74	
Repaired generator	40.44	
Repaired starter	56.83	
Chain, 1	1.85	
Gaskets	1.31	
Miscellaneous Material	3.84	
		$1,038.13

MERCHANDISE ACCOUNT

Paid Ludlow Manufacturing Co.	$ 23.94
Paid W. S. Darley & Co.	107.80
Paid Sumner & Dunbar	58.80
Paid Geo. H. DeWitt & Son	41.44
Paid R. G. Watt	14.30
Paid LeBaron Foundry	13.90
Paid W. B. Mason & Co.	4.15
Paid Braman, Dow & Co.	230.74
Paid DeLuxe Filter & Piston Co.	46.80
Paid Red Hed Manufacturing Co.	28.10
Paid Curry Brothers	2.50
Paid National Meter Co.	163.84
Paid No. Easton Service Station	50.13
Paid E. E. I. Co., of Brockton	1.20
Paid E. E. Kelley's Store	2.98
Paid O'Connor's News Store	1.50
	$ 792.12

Bonds Due	$ 8,000.00
Accounts Receivable	2,230.75
Cash	15,810.51

We have examined the above accounts and found them to be correct.

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON,
JOSEPH CONNOLLY,

Auditors.

March 21, 1944

NORTH EASTON VILLAGE DISTRICT
WATER DEPARTMENT

Water pumped from March 1943 to March 1944

March,	5,822,910 gallons
April,	5,295,210 "
May,	5,153,250 "
June,	7,300,830 "
July,	7,195,710 "
August,	7,042,340 "
September,	6,297,590 "
October,	6,232,770 "
November,	5,950,560 "
December	6,403,890 "
January,	6,185,730 "
February,	6,049,790 "
Gallons pumped for year from March 1, 1943, to March 1, 1944,	74,930,580
Gallons fuel oil used	5,800
Gallons pumped per gallon fuel oil	12,919
Gallons lubricating oil used	182
Gallons pumped per month	6,244,215
Gallons pumped per week	1,440,972
Gallons pumped per day	205,593
Water furnished Unionville District	20,685,400 gals
Water furnished Easton Center District	1,495,770 gals
New Services	1
Renewals	4
Hydrants repaired	3
Gate Boxes repaired	4
Service boxes	1
Hydrants	106

We have a cash balance this year of $15,810.51.

This will just about take care of our needed additional water supply as planned by our Engineers, and on which action was deferred because of war emergency.

The bonded indebtedness is $8,000.00 of which $2,000.00 is retired annually from earnings.

There have been no extensions and because of the water system most of the gate valves need replacement.

WILLIAM A. FENWICK,
THOMAS A. O'CONNOR,
CLYDE A. CRAIG,
Water Commissioners

REPORT OF TREASURER

For the year ending February 29, 1944

Receipts

Cash on hand March 1, 1943	$ 2,082.35	
Received from Town of Easton	4,800.00	
Taxes—1943	1,294.70	
Taxes—1942	338.76	
Taxes—1941	94.58	
Taxes—1940	.58	
Taxes—1939	5.18	$ 8,616.15

Expenditures

Street Lighting	$ 3,876.72	
Sidewalks	3,160.98	
Miscellaneous Expenses	515.18	$ 7,552.88
North Easton Village District Balance		$ 1,063.27

North Easton Village District Water Dept.

Cash on hand March 1, 1943	$8,835.33	
Receipts	15,340.44	
	$24,175.77	
Expeditures	$ 8,365.26	
North Easton Water Department balance		$15,810.51
Cash on hand March 1, 1944		$16,873.78

RALPH W. CRAIG, Treasurer

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and found same correct.

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON,
JOSEPH CONNOLLY,

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

NORTH EASTON VILLAGE DISTRICT TAXES

March 1, 1943, to February 29, 1944

DR.

Taxes of 1941 uncollected, March 1, 1943	$78.30	
Taxes of 1942 uncollected, March 1, 1943	374.65	
Tax Commitment of 1943	1441.89	
Abatement after payment, 1943 tax	.06	
		$1894.90

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Taxes of 1941 collected	$73.58	
Taxes of 1942 collected	297.91	
Taxes of 1943 collected	1344.65	
Taxes of 1941 abated	2.81	
Taxes of 1942 abated	2.55	
Taxes of 1943 abated	4.74	
Tax Takings, 1941 taxes	1.91	
Tax Takings, 1942 taxes	4.51	
Tax Takings, 1943 taxes	1.76	
Taxes of 1942 uncollected, February 29, 1944	69.68	
Taxes of 1943 uncollected, February 29, 1944	90.74	
Taxes of 1943 refunded	.06	
		$1894.90

JOHN M. SMITH,
Collector of Taxes.